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## **GUIDELINES FOR APPEAL OF PROPERTY VALUE**

When a property owner disagrees with the appraisal or classification of their property the first step in the appeal process is to contact the Rutherford County Property Assessor's Office. The assessor's office will verify the characteristics of your property to make sure the information is correct. Please have the following information available:

- Square footage of your home (living sqft, garage, basement, etc...)
- Acreage
- Year built

The Assessor's Office will conduct an informal review of the property, checking for errors and depending on the findings the tax payer may want to further appeal the property value to the County Board of Equalization. **Call our office prior to June 1**<sup>st</sup> **to schedule an appointment.** To help you prepare for your County Board of Equalization appointment please keeps these tips in mind:

- Amount of taxes paid is not a basis for appeal, please discuss property value only
- The burden of proof is on the tax payer so please bring evidence to support your claim

#### **Examples of evidence include:**

- 1. Valid, comparable sales of like property that occurred prior to Jan. 1 of 2013.
- 2. Independent sale/purchase appraisals prior to Jan. 1 of 2013.
- 3. Photos of detriments to property

If your questions can't be resolved during an informal review and you plan to appear before the County Board of Equalization please fill out the information on the back of this sheet and bring it to your schedule hearing time.

If you would like to have someone else represent you at the county board hearing please fill out the "Authorization to Represent" form found on the Property Assessor's Website under the "Appeal Information" tab.

If you have any questions or need require further information please contact the assessor's office at (615) 898-7750

# Rutherford County Appellant Hearing Form Tax Year \_\_\_\_\_

Appellant Name:		Owner:	_ Representative:
Representative Name:	I	Phone Number:	
Property Address:			
Mailing Address (For Correction Only):			
County's Values:			
Land Value:	Owner's Opinion of Value:		
Imp Value:	Sale Date:	Sale	Price:
Total:			
Was there a recent appraisal? YES	NO	Date & Am	ount
Purpose of the Appraisal:			
Amount of Property Insurance:	Cost of Construction: Date:		
Complaint:			
	COMPARAB	LE SALES	
Sale 1 Sale Date:	Sale 2 Sale Date:		Sale 3 Sale Date:
Sale Price:	Sale Price:		Sale Price:
Square Footage:	Square Footage	:	Square Footage:
Acreage:	Acreage:		Acreage:
Address:	Address:		Address: